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To SAC, NEW ORLEANS (245D-7) (P)

Date 3/12/86

From SA

Subject MIGUEL VELEZ;

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ADLER B. SEAL - VICTIM;
OC; DEA TASK FORCE INVESTIGATION;
OOJ - MURDER
OO: NEW ORLEANS

On February 19, 1986, writer obtained flight manifests for Delta flight number 976 and Delta flight number 211 departing from Baton Rouge. DELTA AIRLINES, Baton Rouge Metropolitan Airport, supplied this information. b7C

Writer also obtained information regarding out-bound flights of personal aircraft for 2/19/86, from the Control Tower, Baton Rouge Metropolitan Airport.

This information has been entered into the case file as a 1A-exhibit.



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date of transcription MARCH 18, 1986

On February 28, 1986, SA [redacted] proceeded to the Budgetel Inn, located at the Intersection of I-10 and Seigen Lane in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. At this location, SA [redacted] reviewed the registration records of the Budgetel Inn for the months of January, 1986 and February, 1986 in the following names:

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1. [redacted]
 2. [redacted]
 3. MIGUEL VELEZ

4. [redacted]
5. [redacted]
6. [redacted]
7. [redacted]

It is noted that the only record possibly identifiable with the foregoing list of names was as follows:

On February 5 - February 6, 1986, an individual checked into the Budgetel Inn and gave the name [redacted] Houston, Texas. This individual was driving a Mercedes bearing tag [redacted] from the State of Texas and furnished drivers license [redacted] as identification.

[redacted] advised that normally when a person checks into the Budgetel Inn a credit card is their identification. If they pay cash instead of using a credit card they're required to furnish a drivers license number showing their name, address and other personal information. He advised that this is to protect the Budgetel Inn in view of some type of an accident resulting in injury to a patron at the inn.

Investigation on 2/28/86 *And* BATON ROUGE, LA. File # NO 245D-7-898B
by SA [redacted] *b7C* Date dictated 3/7/86

Memorandum



To SAC, NEW ORLEANS (245D-7) (P)

Date MARCH 18, 1986

From SA [REDACTED]

Subject MIGUEL VELEZ;



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ADLER B. SEAL-VICTIM;
OC; DEA TASK FORCE INVESTIGATION; OOJ-MURDER;
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On February 28, 1986, Captain [REDACTED] Baton Rouge Airport PD, telephone [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] advised that on February 19, 1986, Royal Airlines flight 404 was scheduled to depart at 8:05 p.m. He indicated that [REDACTED] Royal Airlines had telephoned [REDACTED] would be able to provide more information concerning Royal Flights and their departure times.

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On February 28, 1986, [REDACTED] Royal Airlines, advised that a white male of Hispanic background checked with Royal Airlines at approximately 7:00 pm for a flight to New Orleans. This individual, however, did not choose to fly on a Royal flight and left the Royal ticket area to go to the Delta Airlines ticket area. This individual was stopped by the airport PD while moving to the Delta counter and questioned.

On this same date, [REDACTED] was recontacted by the writer concerning officers on duty at the airport. He advised that the officers on duty on February 19, 1986 on the evening watch were officers [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that the unidentified individual was stopped for questioning and it was determined that he was with a party including two other persons. He apparently did fly out on a Delta Flight and the Baton Rouge Police Department officer in the terminal at the time made some notes. This officer's name was [REDACTED]

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b7C On March 3, 1986, [REDACTED] Delta Airlines Station Manager, advised that Delta Airlines did not have any flights leaving on February 19, 1986 between 7 and 8 pm. for New Orleans. She advised that the only flights out at that time were directly to Atlanta, Georgia.

[REDACTED] indicated that on the 12 - 8:30 p.m. shift on February 19, 1986, the ticket agents were [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

On March 4, 1986, Sergeant [REDACTED] was located and interviewed. This interview is recorded separately.

Memorandum



To SAC, NEW ORLEANS (245D-7)

Date 3/19/86

From SA [REDACTED]

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Subject MIGUEL VELEZ:

[REDACTED]

ADLER B. SEAL - VICTIM
ORGANIZED CRIME;
DRUG ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE INVESTIGATION;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - MURDER
OO: NEW ORLEANS

On March 12, 1986, [REDACTED] telephonically contacted the Baton Rouge office of the FBI and provided the following information:

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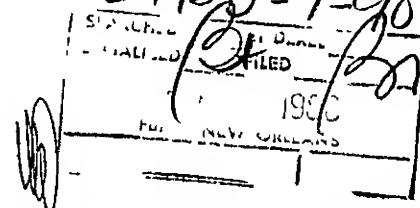
[REDACTED] are neighbors of [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] is currently hospitalized because he was poisoned by [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] While in the hospital, [REDACTED] told him that [REDACTED] ordered the contract slaying of BARRY SEAL paying two million dollars. An additional contract was ordered on [REDACTED] in the amount of fifty million dollars.

[REDACTED] lives in a secure area of Columbia surrounded by his followers for five miles in every direction.

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[REDACTED] telephone number is [REDACTED]

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Date 3/27/86

TO: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (245D-7) (72-215)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (245D-22) (OC-5) (P)

MIGUEL VELEZ, aka,
 ET AL;
 OCDE TASK FORCE INVESTIGATION;
 OOJ-MURDER
 (OO: NEW ORLEANS)

Re New Orleans teletype to Director and to Miami dated
 2/20/86.

Enclosed for New Orleans are the following:

Original and one copy of four FD-302's regarding
 investigation done on 2/27/86, 2/28/86, 3/2/86 and 3/7/86; plus
 original and one copy of investigative insert dated 3/12/86.

For the information of New Orleans, the aforementioned
 enclosures are regarding information previously relayed by
 telephone. Miami has subpoenaed [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Miami indices checks, criminal checks and warrants
 checks have been negative on [REDACTED]

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Miami investigation continuing.

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Morning Advocate
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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Title FOUR INDICTED
IN SEAL SLAYING

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Submitting Office New Orleans

Four indicted in Seal slaying

By DOUGLAS DEMMONS
Advocate staff writer

☐ RELATED STORY, 4A

parish grand jury returned first-degree murder indictments Thursday against four men accused of the execution-style slaying of federal drug informant Adler "Barry" Seal.

The four — Miguel Velez, Bernardo Antonio Vasquez, Jose Renteria-Campo and Carlos Quintero-Cruz — also were charged with conspiracy to commit first-degree murder.

Assistant District Attorney Prem Burns said the state "will certainly urge the death penalty in this case."

Burns declined to comment on the merits of the case, citing an ongoing federal investigation of the murder. She said the parish grand jury had concluded its case, however.

Seal was shot to death while sitting in his Cadillac on Feb. 19 at a Salvation Army halfway house on Airline

Highway

The case was assigned to District Judge Frank Saja. District Judge Bob Hester received the grand jury report but did not set an arraignment date.

Burns said all four men should be turned over to the custody of Baton Rouge authorities, pending their trials.

The conspiracy indictment alleges that the men planned the killing from Jan. 23 to Feb. 19. Burns said she considered the conspiracy a separate crime from the killing.

Federal authorities are holding two other men in the case, but neither has been charged in relation to the murder.

Seal had been convicted in Florida and Louisiana on drug and banking charges. U.S. District Judge Frank

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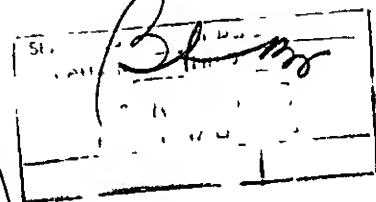
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Polozola in Baton Rouge sentenced Seal to serve time at the halfway house.

Seal, whose cooperation with authorities included information on alleged drug smuggling by the Sandinista regime in Nicaragua, was killed in a burst of machine-gun fire as he pulled up to the Salvation Army center in his car.

Seal had been scheduled to testify in a Miami trial later this year. Three men in Colombia who were also to testify were also killed.



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Two Seal case suspects not indicted

By JOHN SEMIEN
Advocate staff writer

State prosecutors lost their bid for murder indictments against two suspects in the machine-gun slaying of drug smuggler-turned-informant Adler "Barry" Seal and don't plan additional charges against them in the case, District Attorney Bryan Bush said Monday.

A parish grand jury last week returned first-degree murder and conspiracy to commit first-degree murder indictments against Miguel Velez, Bernardo Antonio Vasquez, Jose Renteria-Campo and Carlos Quintero-Cruz.

But there was not enough evidence to

secure indictments on Heliberto Sanchez-Cardenas or John Jairo Cardona-Garcia, Bush said.

"We didn't have enough to tie them in," Bush said Monday. "The grand jury decided to indict the people they did and that's it. We put on the evidence we had."

All six men were arrested on federal conspiracy, obstruction of justice and immigration charges for the Feb. 19 murder of Seal, who was shot to death behind the wheel of his Cadillac parked in front of the Salvation Army Community Treatment Center.

Federal conspiracy and obstruction of justice charges filed against Velez and Vasquez shortly after the shooting were later dismissed by federal

prosecutors who said they wanted more time to develop their case.

Al Winters, chief of the Organized Crime Strike Force in New Orleans, said on Monday that federal officials are still investigating the six men and their involvement in Seal's murder.

"It's still being investigated and they are certainly being looked at," Winters said about the suspects.

He would not comment on the actions of Bush's office or on the progress of his investigation.

Winters said Sanchez-Cardenas was sentenced in a court appearance last week to 179 days for illegally entering

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the United States.

Cardona-Garcia is still awaiting sentencing on the same charges, said John B.Z. Caplinger of the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Both suspects are being held in New Orleans, he said.

Assistant District Attorney Prem Burns has said the state will seek the death penalty in the murder case.

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He had been scheduled to testify in a Miami drug trial later this year.

Winters has said three men in Colombia who were also to testify in the trial were killed "around the same time" as the Seal murder.

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2 charged with slaying of top drug informant

By The Associated Press

BATON ROUGE — Two Latin Americans held in the machine-gun slaying of top drug informant Adler Berriman Seal now face charges of first-degree murder and conspiracy to commit first-degree murder.

Arrest warrants on those charges were issued Wednesday by a state judge in Baton Rouge against Bernardo Antonio Vasquez of Colombia and Miguel Velez of Puerto Rico.

The two are already in custody on federal charges of conspiracy and obstruction of justice. Velez is in the East Baton Rouge Parish jail and Vasquez is at the Orleans Parish Correction Cen-

ter. Both are being held without bond.

Seal's death is being investigated by Detective Greg Phares of the Baton Rouge police.

Seal, a former drug smuggler, was killed by machine-gun fire on Feb. 19 at the Salvation Army halfway house. In addition to the two prime suspects, four other people, all Colombians, have been arrested in the gangland-style murder.

A witness to the shooting said he had to jump to avoid being run over by the getaway car, according to the arrest warrants filed Wednesday.

The warrants said Seal, 46, was struck by seven out of 15 bullets fired from a Mac-10 machine gun.

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Gag order imposed in Seal case

By DOUGLAS DEMMONS
Advocate staff writer

District Judge Frank Sala on Wednesday imposed a gag order on the first-degree murder case of four men accused of the machine-gun slaying of federal drug informant Adler "Barry" Seal.

Security was exceptionally tight while defendant Miguel Velez sat handcuffed in the courtroom. Access to the courtroom was allowed only after thorough screening with hand-held metal detectors.

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prosecutors, defense attorneys and even federal officials. Assistant District Attorney Prem Burns asked for the order.

Burns has steadfastly refused comment on the case since last week when a parish grand jury indicted Velez, Bernardo Antonio Vasquez, Jose Renteria-Campo and Carlos Quintero-Cruz for first-degree murder and conspiracy to commit first-degree murder.

However, her boss, District Attorney Bryan Bush, revealed Monday that prosecutors were unable to get murder indictments

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against two other men who had been held in connection with the case.

Velez's attorney, Jack Dampf, objected to the gag order. He said the case already has a high public profile and that state and federal officials have already commented extensively on the case.

"Basically they're trying to block me," Dampf said.

Dampf asked Saia to grant him a hearing to set bond for Velez, but Saia denied the request. Dampf said he would appeal the ruling to the 1st Circuit Court of Appeal.

Arraignment for the defendants has been set for April 24, but Dampf

said that because of security precautions the exact time of the arraignments will not be revealed until shortly before the hearing.

Seal was killed on Feb. 19 as he sat in his Cadillac outside the Salvation Army halfway house on Airline Highway.

U.S. District Judge Frank Polozola had sentenced Seal to serve six months at the center, where he was to spend the night. The sentence was a condition of his probation after he pleaded guilty to a charge of causing a bank not to report a major transaction.

Seal also was convicted on drug charges in Baton Rouge and

Florida.

Seal, however, became an important drug informant, leading authorities to numerous drug traffickers. He was expected to testify later this year against Jorge Ochoa, who's extradition from Spain has been requested on charges he operated one of the world's largest cocaine rings.

Seal also participated in a federal operation to gather information on alleged drug trafficking by officials of the Sandinista regime of Nicaragua.

Three other potential witnesses in the Ochoa case were killed in Colombia within a few hours of Seal's murder.

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THE BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH THIS TELETYPE TO LEGAT
BOGOTA, COLOMBIA, BY TELETYPE.

FOR INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU AND LEGAT BOGOTA, SUBJECT
MIGUEL VELEZ, CURRENTLY HOUSED AT THE EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH
PRISON, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA, IS ONE OF FOUR DEFENDANTS CHARGED
BY THE STATE OF LOUISIANA WITH FIRST DEGREE MURDER AND CONSPIRACY
TO COMMIT FIRST DEGREE MURDER RELATING TO THE FEBRUARY 19, 1986,
MURDER OF ADLER B. SEAL.

FOR THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF RECIPIENT, SUBJECT VELEZ HAS

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ONE SUCH LETTER WAS BROUGHT FROM THE PRISON BY THE FORMER INMATE AND MAILED TO COLOMBIA, SOUTH AMERICA ON APRIL 3, 1986. THAT LETTER GAVE INSTRUCTIONS AS TO HOW TO CONTACT THE INMATE AND WHAT MATERIALS ARE TO BE SENT TO THE INMATE TO FACILITATE THE ESCAPE OF VELEZ.

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LEGAT BOGOTA IS REQUESTED TO IDENTIFY ADDRESSEE AND CONDUCT APPROPRIATE BIOGRAPHIC AND CEDULA BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION. LEGAT IS FURTHER REQUESTED TO TAKE NO ACTION WHICH MIGHT POSSIBLY ALERT THOSE PERSONS AS TO OUR KNOWLEDGE OF THE ESCAPE PLAN.

NEW ORLEANS AT BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA. WITH APPROPRIATE LOCAL AUTHORITIES WILL CONDUCT THAT INVESTIGATION NECESSARY TO DOCUMENT THE PROSECUTABLE CASE RELATING TO THE ALLEGED ESCAPE.

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To SAC, New Orleans (245-7)
(Attention: Special Agent)

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All documents are enclosed herewith, for appropriate filing.

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ORGANIZED CRIME SECTION, FBIHQ, APRIL 4, 1986.

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DETAILS: MIGUEL VELEZ IS CURRENTLY HOUSED AT THE EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH PRISON, BATON ROUGE, LA., FOLLOWING HIS INDICTMENT IN STATE COURT FOR FIRST DEGREE MURDER AND CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT FIRST DEGREE MURDER. VELEZ IS ONE OF FOUR SUBJECTS SIMILARLY CHARGED WITH THE CONTRACT KILLING OF FEBRUARY 19, 1976, OF ABLE R. SEAL, A CONVICTED INTERNATIONAL COCAINE SMUGGLER AND U.S. GOVERNMENT WITNESS. SEAL WAS EXPECTED TO BE A U.S. GOVERNMENT WITNESS IN FORTHCOMING TRIALS IN THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA AGAINST THE INTERNATIONAL DRUG CARTEL OF [REDACTED] PABLO ESCOBAR CAVARIA AND OTHERS.

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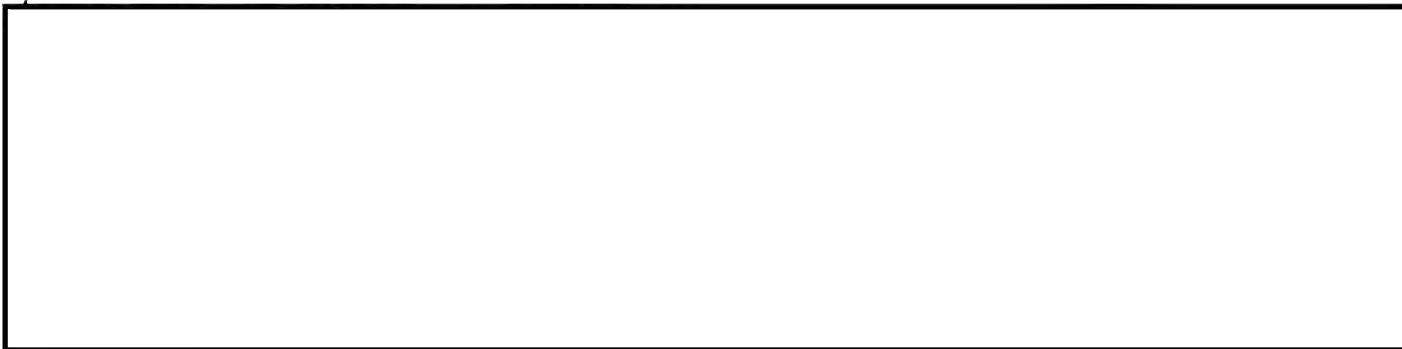
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ON APRIL 3, 1966, DETECTIVE [REDACTED] WAS CONTACTED AND ADVISED

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Dampf asked Saia to grant him a hearing to set bond for Velez, but Saia denied the request. Dampf said he would appeal the ruling to the 1st Circuit Court of Appeals.

Arraignment for the defendants has been set for April 24, but Dampf

said that because of security precautions the exact time of the arraignments will not be revealed until shortly before the hearing.

Seal was killed on Feb. 19 as he sat in his Cadillac outside the Salvation Army halfway house on Airline Highway.

U.S. District Judge Frank Polozola had sentenced Seal to serve six months at the center, where he was to spend the night. The sentence was a condition of his probation after he pleaded guilty to a charge of causing a bank not to report a major transaction.

Seal also was convicted on drug charges in Baton Rouge and

Florida.

Seal, however, became an important drug informant, leading authorities to numerous drug traffickers. He was expected to testify later this year against Jorge Ochoa, who's extradition from Spain has been requested on charges he operated one of the world's largest cocaine rings.

Seal also participated in a federal operation to gather information on alleged drug trafficking by officials of the Sandinista regime of Nicaragua.

Three other potential witnesses in the Ochoa case were killed in Colombia within a few hours of Seal's murder.

Memorandum



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SA [REDACTED]

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Date 3/14/86

From

ASAC WAYNE R. TAYLOR

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Title and Character of Case

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Date Property Acquired
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Source From Which Property Acquired
MIGUEL VELEZ

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

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☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure

Description of Property or Exhibit

One Eastern Airlines Ticket #0074472098186

One Columbian Peso (Bill)

One Amitron Watch Black Band

One Gold Necklace with cross pendant

One cloth cord Madonna necklace

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Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

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To Be Returned

☐ Yes ☒ No

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Description of Property or Exhibit

\$3,275.41 in U. S. Currency

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Date Property Acquired **2/20/86** Source From Which Property Acquired **MIGUEL VELEZ**

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To Be Returned ☐ Yes ☒ No See Serial Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit **SA** Agent Assigned Case **SA**
☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure

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**One (1) ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~
Atomic Absorption Analysis Kit Used to Process MIGUEL VELEZ.**

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Date Property Acquired

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Source From Which Property Acquired

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Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

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Description of Property or Exhibit

One Set of Car Keys on An Avis Rental Tag

One Key on a Tag #269

One Florida Driver's License #V420-540-49-247

Social Security Card #071-80-2491

One Red Address Book

One U. S. Passport #25286996

Twenty-one Business Cards (Various)

One Mechanic's Wrench

One Laminated Prayer Card

One Gray Jacket

One Pair Shoes (White)

One Green Two-piece Outfit

(One set of Photocopies of
(Passport, Driver's License,
(Social Security Card,
(Business Cards, etc.,
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(of money which was in
(possession of Meridian Police
(Department subsequent to the
(Arrest of MIGUEL VELEZ
(26 Total pages).

One Mastercard Application

One Leather Pouch (2"x3")

One Shoestring

One piece of Gold Colored Metal
Wife

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To SAC, NEW ORLEANS (245D-7) (P)

Date 4/16/86

From

SA [REDACTED]

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Subject

MIGUEL VELEZ;
ET AL;
ADLER B. SEAL-VICTIM;
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For information, on 3/10/86, Detective [REDACTED] of the Louisiana State Police (LSP), Baton Rouge, Louisiana, advised that [REDACTED] was arrested on 3/9/86 by the Livingston Parish Sheriff's Office (LPSO), on a charge of attempted murder.

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On 3/20/86, Detective [REDACTED] made available a Xerox copy of the LPSO fingerprint record of [REDACTED]

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On 4/14/86, Detective [REDACTED] stated that the LSP and the LPSO are still awaiting the results from the FBI's Identification Division, regarding [REDACTED] fingerprint record.

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To SAC, NEW ORLEANS (245D-7)

Date APRIL 17, 1986

From SA [REDACTED]

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Subject MIGUEL VELEZ; ET AL;
ADLER B. SEAL - VICTIM;
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OOJ-MURDER
OO: NEW ORLEANS

Enclosed for Baton Rouge RA is the subpoena
returned for [REDACTED]

On April 14, 1986, at 4:20 p.m., [REDACTED]

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BATON ROUGE RA: Will comply with the return of
the enclosed Grand Jury Subpoena.

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Judge sets \$25 million bonds for Seal suspects

By JOHN SEMIEN
Advocate staff writer

District Judge Frank Saia set \$25 million bonds Wednesday for each of four men indicted by a parish grand jury for the machine-gun slaying of drug informant Adler "Barry" Seal.

Saia said his decision to set cash bonds in the case makes moot a 3-0 1st Circuit Court of Appeal ruling Tuesday that one of the defendants be allowed to hear prosecution witnesses in the first-degree murder case.

"The ruling is actually moot," Saia said Wednesday. "We've already set a bond on all four of them at \$25 million. The cash conditions are that the manner in which they are approved has to be in open court, as to currency, property, negotiating instruments or what have you."

Saia said he considered the likelihood that the suspects would flee in setting the amount for the cash bonds, but "I have no idea what their financial condition is."

"They are not from East Baton Rouge Parish or even from the United States so there is a greater risk of them fleeing the district," Saia said.

The 1st Circuit ruled Tuesday that Saia should grant Miguel Velez of Miami "the opportunity to present evidence" and to cross-examine witnesses to learn details about the

murder are Bernardo Antonio Vasquez, 32, 155 W 5th St, Hialeah, Fla., Luis Carlos Quintero-Cruz, 33, of Colombia, and Jose Renteria-Campo, 38, of Colombia.

The indictment came in the wake of an investigation by District Attorney Bryan Bush into the shooting death of Seal, who died in a hail of machine-gun fire in the parking lot of the Salvation Army Community Treatment Center on Airline Highway.

Seal was a pilot and large-scale drug smuggler who became a federal witness and undercover informant for the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration in

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prosecution's case against him.

At the time, no bond had been set for Velez or the other three suspects.

The decision supported arguments of Velez's Baton Rouge attorney, Jack Dampf, who claimed the state must prove it had enough evidence to charge Velez with first-degree murder and conspiracy to commit first-degree murder.

Dampf said Wednesday he was surprised by Saia's bond decision but made no further comment because Saia last week issued a gag order that restricted attorneys and others from discussing the case.

Indicted last month on the same charges as Velez in Seal's Feb. 19

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Title JUDGE SET \$25 MILLION
BONDS FOR SEAL SUSPECTS

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cocaine cases tried in Nevada and Florida.

Seal was expected to be the star witness against reputed Colombian cocaine trafficker Jorge Luis Ochoa, who is in Madrid, Spain, fighting extradition to the United States on indictments involving cocaine-smuggling.

First Circuit Judges Walter I. Lanier Jr., John S. Covington and Hillary J. "Buddy" Crain gave Saia and prosecutors a chance to contest the order if they want to take further action in the 1st Circuit.

In the ruling, the court set a noon April 18 deadline for Saia and prosecutors to decide if they intend to fight or obey the order.

But Assistant District Attorney Prem Burns said there is no need for a hearing on the merits of the state's case against Velez since he has been provided a bond.

First-degree murder is punishable either by death in the electric chair or life imprisonment without benefit of probation, parole or suspension of sentence.

Conspiracy to commit first-degree murder is punishable by a maximum 30-year prison term.

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TO: SAC, MIAMI (245D-297)
FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (245D-7) (P)

MIGUEL VELEZ,
ET AL;
ADLER B. SEAL - VICTIM;
OCDETFI; OOJ-MURDER
OO: NEW ORLEANS

Enclosed for Miami are subpoenas for service on LORRAINE TRAVEL BUREAU, INC., EASTERN AIRLINES, and AMERIFIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN, all of Miami, Florida.

Miami is requested to serve enclosures and return documents to New Orleans.

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On March 21, 1986, contact was made with METRO-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT, Homicide Division, Sergeant [REDACTED] and the following information was obtained:

Subject MIGUEL VELEZ is the same person in a photograph that they obtained from NEW YORK POLICE DEPARTMENT, Queens, New York. The aliases used by VELEZ are as follows:

[REDACTED]

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A newspaper clipping, dated September 21, 1981, NEW YORK DAILY NEWS regarding [REDACTED] was supplied by Sergeant [REDACTED]. The clipping included a photo of the two subjects. Upon comparison of photo in clipping and photo from NEW YORK POLICE DEPARTMENT, subject is same as MIGUEL VELEZ, also obtained from Sergeant [REDACTED] is a copy of an address information that had been in [REDACTED] possession.

Upon conducting NATIONAL CRIME INFORMATION CENTER checks, [REDACTED] aliases are as aforementioned with FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Number 580739W2. An outstanding warrant exists out of New York City, New York, (OCA R83400768) for felony criminal possession of a weapon.

There is no criminal record on [REDACTED] or aliases at METRO-DADE POLICE records.

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or INTERNATIONAL TRAFFICKING

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4 plead innocent in informer's death

By The Associated Press

BATON ROUGE — Four men accused of killing federal drug informant Adler "Barry" Seal stood behind a bulletproof shield and pleaded innocent Tuesday.

The defendants, charged with machine-gunning Seal to death Feb 19 outside a halfway house where he was confined at night on a drug conviction, entered their pleas through interpreters.

District Judge Frank Sain scheduled trial Aug 18 for Miguel Velez, 36, of Miami, Bernardo Antonio Vasquez, 32, of Hialeah,

Fla., Jose Renteria-Campo, 36, of Colombia, and Luis Quintero-Cruz, 33, also of Colombia.

The four are being held on \$25 million bond on charges of first-degree murder and conspiracy.

Their arraignment hearing marked the first test of a new bulletproof shield for the judge and witnesses, and of an interpreters' booth for translating the defendants' Spanish.

There were problems with the sound system connecting the defendants and their interpreters, but court officials said those should be ironed out before trial.

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Suspect in Seal case sentenced

By DON LEWIS
Advocate-state writer

NEW ORLEANS — A suspect in the case of Adler "Barry" Seal, a drug smuggler turned informant who was shot to death in Baton Rouge, has been sentenced to 179 days in prison for illegally entering the United States.

U.S. Magistrate Ronald A. Fonseca sentenced John Jairo Cardona-Garcia during brief proceedings Wednesday in federal court here.

On March 27, U.S. Magistrate Alma L. Chasez sentenced Heliberto Sanchez-Cardenas, another suspect in the Seal case, to 179 days in prison for illegal

entry.

State prosecutors lost their bid for murder indictments against Cardona-Garcia and Sanchez-Cardenas and don't plan additional charges against them in the case, East Baton Rouge District Attorney Bryan Bush has said.

Last month, an East Baton Rouge grand jury returned first-degree murder and conspiracy to commit first-degree murder indictments against Miguel Velez, Bernard Vasquez, Jose Renteria-Campo and Carlos Quintero-Cruz.

But there was not enough evidence to secure indictments of Sanchez-

Cardenas or Cardona-Garcia, Bush said.

All six men were arrested on federal conspiracy, obstruction of justice and immigration charges in connection with the Feb. 19 murder of Seal, who was shot to death with a machine gun while he was behind the wheel of his Cadillac parked in front of the Salvation Army Community Treatment Center in Baton Rouge, where he was serving a six-month sentence.

Federal conspiracy and obstruction of justice charges filed against Velez and Vasquez shortly after the shooting were later dismissed by federal prosecutors, who said they wanted more time to develop their case.

Al Winters, chief of the Organized Crime Strike Force in New Orleans, has said that federal officials still are investigating the six men and their involvement, if any, in Seal's murder.

Quintero-Cruz, who has pleaded guilty to illegal entry into the United States, will be sentenced April 25.

All the men are Colombian except for Velez, who is Puerto Rican.

Seal, whose cooperation with authorities included information on alleged drug smuggling by the leftist Sandinista regime in Nicaragua, had been scheduled to testify in a Miami drug trial later this year.

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Conflicting testimony heard

4 suspects in Seal case plead not guilty to murder, conspiracy

By JOHN SEMIEN
Advocate staff writer

A witness to the machine-gun slaying of drug smuggler-turned-informant Adler "Barry" Seal gave conflicting testimony Tuesday in identifying a gunman in the murder.

Jerry Evans testified after four suspects in the case pleaded not guilty Tuesday to state charges of conspiracy and first-degree murder.

Evans nodded toward Miguel Velez, 36, of Miami, when asked whether he resembled a gunman who Evans said jumped into a get-away car after shooting Seal in the parking lot of a local halfway house on Feb. 19.

At other times during Tuesday's hearing, Evans said he was shown a passport containing a picture of Velez before examining a police lineup of suspects in New Orleans the night of the murder. He also said Tuesday that he had never seen Velez before.

Velez pleaded innocent to charges of first-degree murder and conspiracy to commit first-degree murder, wearing headphones to hear an interpreter translate his arraignment before District Judge Frank Sala.

Other suspects pleading innocent Tuesday were Bernardo Antonio Vasquez, 32, of Hialeah, Fla., Luis Carlos Quintero-Cruz, 33, of Colombia, and Jose Renteria-Campo, 38, of Colombia.

Renteria-Campo wore a suit Tuesday while the other three suspects, flanked by attorneys, stood in orange prison pajamas behind a clear bullet-proof shield.

They were indicted by a state grand jury in the murder of Seal, who was shot to death behind the wheel of his Cadillac with a .45-caliber Mac-10 machine-gun after he was approached by two men in the parking lot of the Salvation Army Community Treatment Center two months ago.

Seal was serving a six-month sentence there on federal drug and bank fraud charges.

Evans, who said he has been in several hospitals for treatment of a nervous breakdown, said he slept under a nearby bridge before he began working at the Salvation Army's Airline Highway office for room and board in mid-January.

Evans said he was returning from an Airline Highway restaurant at about 6

p.m. Feb. 19 when he began walking across the center's parking lot.

"I seen a guy sitting there, and I thought I'd ask him for a light, and I heard these firecrackers going off," Evans said Tuesday.

Other witnesses in the parking lot began to shout as a man with a moustache and wearing a hat and windbreaker jumped into a gray sedan, he said.

"They said that guy just killed

somebody, get the license number," he said. "I was in the parking lot, and the car pulled out real fast. It came out and like to run over me."

Evans said he did not know Seal very well and only had one conversation with him several days before he was killed.

"I asked him for 50 cents for a cup of coffee once," Evans said Tuesday. "He handed me a \$5 bill and told me to go and have all the coffee I wanted."

He said a friend had once described Seal as a "big-time dope smuggler."

"He had ratted on some people and that they were going to take care of him when he finished at the Salvation Army," Evans said.

Evans expressed indifference to questions from Assistant District Attorney Prem Burns concerning conflicts between his testimony and his previous statements to authorities, repeating "It don't bother me none" several times.

"I'm tired of the whole mess," he said. "I want to go about my business. You all stuck me in jail like I killed Barry Seal."

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ADLER B. SEAL- VICTIM
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Burns suggested Evans could not have seen Velez's passport photo the night Seal died because it was not recovered by authorities until Velez was arrested in Mississippi on the next day.

The floor-to-ceiling shield and a booth built for two interpreters who translated for the defendants made it difficult for spectators in the gallery to hear proceedings Tuesday.

Interpreters also complained to court officials about talking too fast for translation to the defendants.

Attorneys for the suspects said they would file motions to reduce \$25 million cash bonds Saia set for each of the four men.

Saia scheduled trials in the case for Aug. 18. He set a pre-trial hearing for

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May 16 to review the motions to reduce bonds.

Burns has said the state will seek the death penalty in the murder case.

The conspiracy indictment alleges Velez, Vasquez, Renteria-Campo and Quintero-Cruz planned the killing from Jan. 23 until Feb. 19.

Burns has said she considers the conspiracy a separate crime from the killing.

No state charges have been filed against Heliberto Sanchez-Cardenas and John Jairo Cardona-Garcia — two other suspects who are in custody in New Orleans on immigration charges.

Sanchez-Cardenas and Cardona-Garcia each have been sentenced to 179 days for illegally entering the United States.

All six men were arrested on federal charges of conspiracy, obstruction of justice and immigration charges shortly after Seal's murder and are still part of a federal investigation into Seal's death.

However, federal conspiracy and obstruction of justice charges filed against Velez and Vasquez were dismissed by federal prosecutors, who said they wanted more time to develop their case.

Seal, whose cooperation with authorities included information on alleged cocaine smuggling by the Sandinista regime in Nicaragua, had been scheduled to testify in a Miami drug trial involving reputed Colombian cocaine trafficker Jorge Luis Ochoa later this year.

Ochoa, who authorities say heads one of the largest cocaine smuggling cartels in the world, is in Spain fighting extradition to the United States on drug charges.



Suspect Jose Renteria-Campo listens to interpreter at Tuesday's arraignment

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TO: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (245D-7)
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (245D-22) (OC-5) (P)

MIGUEL VELEZ, aka;
ET AL;
OCDE TASK FORCE INVESTIGATION;
OOJ-MURDER
(OO: NEW ORLEANS)

Re New Orleans teletype to Miami, 3/24/86 and Miami airtel to New Orleans dated 3/27/86.

Enclosed for New Orleans are the following:

1. Original and one copy of FD-302 by IA [redacted]
2. Investigative insert by SA [redacted]
3. FD-302 by IA [redacted]

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Being forwarded under separate cover is the American Tourister suitcase received from INS which belonged to [redacted]

For the information of New Orleans, reference should be made to an FD-302 enclosed in an airtel dated 3/27/86, regarding the inventory of the contents of the suitcase.

Regarding telephone number [redacted] please refer to previous toll records forwarded to your office.

Miami investigation continuing.

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To SAC, NEW ORLEANS (245-7)(P) Date 04/21/86

From SA [REDACTED]

Subject MIGUEL VELEZ.

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ADLER B. SEAL - VICTIM
OC; DEA TASK FORCE INVESTIGATION;
OOJ - MURDER
OO: NEW ORLEANS

Due to major full office participation in the above captioned case, from 02/19/86, to 04/01/86, the amount of investigative attention devoted to following cases was limited.

As of 04/01/86, the amount of investigative attention given to the following cases has been increased to its proper amount.

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b7C On February 20, 1986, Lieutenant [] MERIDIAN POLICE DEPARTMENT, Meridian, Mississippi, was contacted by the interviewing agent and made aware of the purpose of the interview. Lieutenant [] who is aware of the identity of the interviewing agent through prior contact, advised that at approximately 12 a.m., his agency had received a teletype message on February 20, 1986, wherein they were advised to be on the lookout for a blue and white SERVIS COMPANY cab number 73 en route from Kenner, Louisiana, to Montgomery, Alabama. Lieutenant [] advised that the teletype continued on to advise that the cab was apparently transporting a murder suspect identified as MIGUEL VELEZ, white male, six feet tall, weight 175 to 180 pounds.

[] At approximately 2:20 a.m. on February 20, 1986, [] assigned to the Patrol Division of the MERIDIAN POLICE DEPARTMENT, observed a vehicle matching the description of the SERVIS COMPANY cab parked in the SUPER STOP QUICK SHOP near the Highway 39 Bypass in Meridian, Mississippi. Officer [] made contact with the driver of the vehicle, determined that he and his passenger were the individuals involved in the teletype message and subsequently was advised by the driver of the cab that his cab had struck a deer along Old Highway 80, and that it was presently disabled. Officer [] indicated that he left the SUPER STOP QUICK SHOP ostensibly to check on the deer, but, in fact, went across the roadway, requested a backup, and then returned to the QUICK SHOP and arrested the passenger of the cab, one MIGUEL VELEZ.

Lieutenant [] advised that a number of personal effects were obtained from VELEZ at the time of his arrest, which included the following items:

\$3,275.41 in U.S. currency
(1) set of car keys on an Avis Rental Company tag
(1) key on a tag with the number 269
Florida State Driver's License V420-540-49-247
Social Security Card number 071-80-2491
Red address book
(1) U.S. Passport Z5186696

Investigation on 2/20/86 at Meridian, Mississippi File # JN 72A-50 -20
by SA [] b7C Date dictated 2/24/86

JN 72A-50

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Continuation of FD-302 of , On 2/20/86, Page 2

- (1) EASTERN AIRLINE ticket number 007 4472 098186
- (1) Colombian peso (bill)
- (21) Business cards (various companies)
- (1) Mechanic's wrench
- (1) laminated prayer card
- (1) Amitron watch with black band
- (1) Gold necklace with a crucifix pendant
- (1) Mastercard application
- (1) Leather pouch
- (1) Shoe string
- (1) Cloth cord Madonna necklace
- (1) Piece of gold colored metal wire

Lieutenant turned over the previously enumerated items of personal effects of MIGUEL VELEZ, and also provided one copy of his agency's nine-page offense/incident report reflecting the arrest of MIGUEL VELEZ on February 20, 1986.

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MIGUEL VELEZ, a white male of Latin origin was contacted at the MERIDIAN POLICE DEPARTMENT, Meridian, Mississippi, and thereafter made aware of the identity of the interviewing Agents and purpose of the interview. VELEZ, who is being detained by local authorities in connection with a "BOLO" teletype entered by the New Orleans Division of the FBI, and LOUISIANA STATE POLICE, was advised of his rights from an "Interrogation Advice of Rights" Form (FD-395) by Special Agent [REDACTED] VELEZ, who had indicated that he had approximately two to three years of formal education and further that he was born on June 7, 1949, in Puerto Rico, thereafter invoked his right to counsel, refused to sign the Advice of Rights Form and indicated that he had nothing further to say until he had spoken with an attorney. After VELEZ had indicated he wished to consult with an attorney, no further questions were asked and the interview was terminated. b7C

Through interview and observation, VELEZ is more fully described as follows:

Name	MIGUEL VELEZ
Race	White (Latin descent)
Sex	Male
Age	36
Place of Birth	Puerto Rico
Height	Initially given by VELEZ as 5'9
Actual Height (as observed)	6' to 6'1
Weight	185 pounds
Hair Color	Dark brown to black
Facial Hair	Thin moustache
Identification:	
	Florida State Driver's License V420-540-49-247
	Social Security Card number 071-80-2491
	(1) U.S. Passport number Z5186996

Investigation on 2/20/86 at Meridian, Mississippi File # JN 72A-50 -21
by SA [REDACTED] b7C
SA [REDACTED] Date dictated 2/24/86

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MIGUEL VELEZ, was interviewed at the MERIDIAN POLICE DEPARTMENT on February 20, 1986 by SA [REDACTED] and SA [REDACTED] assigned to the MERIDIAN RESIDENT AGENCY of the FBI. VELEZ invoked his right to counsel and was not questioned further with regard to his involvement in the death of a federal witness which had occurred in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on February 19, 1986.

At the conclusion of the interview, VELEZ was processed by SA [REDACTED] by using an atomic absorption analysis kit which had previously been provided by Detective [REDACTED] of the MERIDIAN POLICE DEPARTMENT. The atomic absorption analysis kit was used in the presence of SA [REDACTED] within the confines of an interview room of the MERIDIAN POLICE DEPARTMENT. After the atomic absorption analysis kit had been used on VELEZ, it was sealed by SA [REDACTED] and marked as evidence for future use. VELEZ thereafter rendered two sets of "major case" identification fingerprints after he had been advised that he was being held in connection with a federal investigation involving a conspiracy in obstruction of justice. Color Polaroid photographs were also obtained of VELEZ at the time of his processing for "major case" fingerprints.

Investigation on 2/20/86 at Meridian, Mississippi File # JN 72A-50
by SA [REDACTED] SA [REDACTED] b7C Date dictated 2/24/86

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

AIRTEL

DATE: 4/25/86

TO : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (245D-7)

FROM : ~~ADIC~~ ADIC, NEW YORK (245D-255) (RUC) (C-23)

SUBJECT: MIGUEL VELEZ, aka
ET AL;
ADLER BARRY SEALE - VICTIM;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - MURDER
(OO: NY)

ReNOTeleteype to New York dated 2/27/86.

Enclosed for New Orleans is an original executed subpoena directed to [REDACTED] together with two (2) copies of an FD-302 reflecting service of same.

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The records which were the subject of a subpoena have previously been forwarded to New Orleans under separate cover. This matter is considered RUC by New York.

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Date 5/1/86

TO: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (245D-7) (72-215)

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (72-50) (RUC)

MIGUEL VELEZ;
 ET AL;
 ADLER BARRY SEALE - VICTIM
 OOJ - MURDER
 OO: New Orleans

Re New Orleans teletype to the Bureau, 2/22/86;
 and New Orleans teletype to the Bureau, 2/25/86.

Enclosed for New Orleans are the following:

1) Original and one copy of an investigative insert reflecting the appearance of MIGUEL VELEZ before U. S. Magistrate, Jackson, Mississippi

2) Original and one copy of an FD-302 reflecting the interview of [REDACTED] on 2/20/86 and 1-A envelope containing interview notes regarding [REDACTED]

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3) Original and one copy of an FD-302 reflecting interview of Lt. [REDACTED] MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI, POLICE DEPARTMENT, on 2/20/86, and 1-A envelope containing copy of MERIDIAN POLICE DEPARTMENT offense Report #604445 furnished by [REDACTED]

4) Original and one copy of an FD-302 reflecting the interview of MIGUEL VELEZ on 2/20/86 and a 1-A envelope containing interview notes

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5) Original and one copy of an FD-302 reflecting processing of MIGUEL VELEZ on 2/20/86

6) 1-A envelope containing FD-597 (property receipt), receiving from police department, and one-page MERIDIAN POLICE DEPARTMENT receipt form

7) 1-A envelope containing FD-395 interview log of MIGUEL VELEZ

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In that all investigation within the Jackson Division has been covered, this matter is considered RUC'd.

SUBJECT IS ARMED AND DANGEROUS. KNOWN TO USE AUTOMATIC TYPE WEAPONS.

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The following reflects the investigation that was conducted on February 20, 1986, by Special Agent [REDACTED] assigned to the Meridian Resident Agency of the FBI:

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Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) NICHOLAS B. PHILLIPS, Southern District of Mississippi, was contacted at the Office of United States Magistrate JOHN R. COUNTISS, III, and thereafter, AUSA PHILLIPS provided a copy of a criminal complaint and warrant for the arrest with regard to the United States of America versus MIGUEL VELEZ, which had been issued by United States District Court out of the Middle District of Louisiana. The warrant reflected that the Honorable JOHN B. PARKER, United States District Judge of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, had issued a warrant for the arrest of MIGUEL VELEZ for violating Title 19, Sections 371, 1513, and 2 of the United States Code. After contact with AUSA PHILLIPS, VELEZ was taken before United States Magistrate JOHN R. COUNTISS, III, for an initial appearance. His court-appointed counsel then requested a continuance in that he was unable to communicate with his client due to a language barrier. Judge COUNTISS ordered a continuance until Monday, February 24, 1986, then further ordered that a Spanish speaking interpreter would be made available to VELEZ and his attorney in order to assist them in their discussions.

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TO: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (245D-7) (BATON ROUGE RA)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (245D-22) (OC-5) (P)

MIGUEL VELEZ, aka;
ET AL;
OCDE TASK FORCE INVESTIGATION;
OOJ - MURDER
(OO: NEW ORLEANS)

Re New Orleans teletype to Miami, 3/24/86, and Legat
Bogota teletype to FBIHQ, 3/10/86.

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FROM: SAC, MIAMI (245D-22) (OC-5) (P)

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 ET AL;
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 OOJ - MURDER
 (OO: NEW ORLEANS)

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Conflicting testimony heard

4 suspects in Seal case plead not guilty to murder, conspiracy

By JOHN SEMIEN
Advocate staff writer

A witness to the machine-gun slaying of drug smuggler-turned-informant Adler "Barry" Seal gave conflicting testimony Tuesday in identifying a gunman in the murder.

Jerry Evans testified after four suspects in the case pleaded not guilty Tuesday to state charges of conspiracy and first-degree murder.

Evans nodded toward Miguel Velez, 36, of Miami, when asked whether he resembled a gunman who Evans said jumped into a get-away car after shooting Seal in the parking lot of a local halfway house on Feb. 19.

At other times during Tuesday's hearing, Evans said he was shown a passport containing a picture of Velez before examining a police lineup of suspects in New Orleans the night of the murder. He also said Tuesday that he had never seen Velez before.

Velez pleaded innocent to charges of first-degree murder and conspiracy to commit first-degree murder, wearing headphones to hear an interpreter translate his arraignment before District Judge Frank Saia.

Other suspects pleading innocent Tuesday were Bernardo Antonio Vasquez, 32, of Hialeah, Fla., Luis Carlos Quintero-Cruz, 33, of Colombia, and Jose Renteria-Campo, 38, of Colombia.

Renteria-Campo wore a suit Tuesday while the other three suspects, flanked by attorneys, stood in orange prison pajamas behind a clear bullet-proof shield.

They were indicted by a state grand jury in the murder of Seal, who was shot to death behind the wheel of his Cadillac with a 45-caliber Mac-10 machine-gun after he was approached by two men in the parking lot of the Salvation Army Community Treatment Center two months ago.



Suspect Jose Renteria-Campo listens to interpreter at Tuesday's arraignment

Seal was serving a six-month sentence there on federal drug and bank fraud charges.

Evans, who said he has been in several hospitals for treatment of a nervous breakdown, said he slept under a nearby bridge before he began working at the Salvation Army's Airline Highway office for room and board in mid-January.

Evans said he was returning from an Airline Highway restaurant at about 6

p.m. Feb. 19 when he began walking across the center's parking lot.

"I seen a guy sitting there, and I thought I'd ask him for a light, and I heard these firecrackers going off," Evans said Tuesday.

Other witnesses in the parking lot began to shout as a man with a moustache and wearing a hat and windbreaker jumped into a gray sedan, he said.

"They said that guy just killed

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somebody, get the license number," he said. "I was in the parking lot, and the car pulled out real fast. It came out and like to run over me."

Evans said he did not know Seal very well and only had one conversation with him several days before he was killed.

"I asked him for 50 cents for a cup of coffee once," Evans said Tuesday. "He handed me a \$5 bill and told me to go and have all the coffee I wanted."

He said a friend had once described Seal as a "big-time dope smuggler."

"He had ratted on some people and that they were going to take care of him when he finished at the Salvation Army," Evans said.

Evans expressed indifference to questions from Assistant District Attorney Prem Burns concerning conflicts between his testimony and his previous statements to authorities, repeating "It don't bother me none" several times.

"I'm tired of the whole mess," he said. "I want to go about my business. You all stuck me in jail like I killed Barry Seal."

Burns suggested Evans could not have seen Velez's passport photo the night Seal died because it was not recovered by authorities until Velez was arrested in Mississippi on the next day.

The floor-to-ceiling shield and a booth built for two interpreters who translated for the defendants made it difficult for spectators in the gallery to hear proceedings Tuesday.

Interpreters also complained to court officials about talking too fast for translation to the defendants.

Attorneys for the suspects said they would file motions to reduce \$25 million cash bonds Saia set for each of the four men.

Saia scheduled trials in the case for Aug. 18. He set a pre-trial hearing for

May 16 to review the motions to reduce bonds.

Burns has said the state will seek the death penalty in the murder case.

The conspiracy indictment alleges Velez, Vasquez, Renteria-Campo and Quintero-Cruz planned the killing from Jan. 23 until Feb. 19.

Burns has said she considers the conspiracy a separate crime from the killing.

No state charges have been filed against Heliberto Sanchez-Cardenas and John Jairo Cardona-Garcia — two other suspects who are in custody in New Orleans on immigration charges.

Sanchez-Cardenas and Cardona-Garcia each have been sentenced to 179 days for illegally entering the United States.

All six men were arrested on federal charges of conspiracy, obstruction of justice and immigration charges shortly after Seal's murder and are still part of a federal investigation into Seal's death.

However, federal conspiracy and obstruction of justice charges filed against Velez and Vasquez were dismissed by federal prosecutors, who said they wanted more time to develop their case.

Seal, whose cooperation with authorities included information on alleged cocaine smuggling by the Sandinista regime in Nicaragua, had been scheduled to testify in a Miami drug trial involving reputed Colombian cocaine trafficker Jorge Luis Ochoa later this year.

Ochoa, who authorities say heads one of the largest cocaine smuggling cartels in the world, is in Spain fighting extradition to the United States on drug charges.

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2 TO DIRECTOR (245D-76)

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5 MIGUEL VELEZ, ET AL, ADLER B. SEAL - VICTIM; OCDE TASK FORCE
 6 INVESTIGATION; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE, OO: NEW ORLEANS.

7 RE NEW ORLEANS TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU DATED FEBRUARY 25, 1986,
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A BALANCE OF [REDACTED] REMAINS ON HAND FROM THAT [REDACTED] ADVANCE.

CURRENTLY, NEW ORLEANS OWES A TOTAL OF [REDACTED] FOR THE COSTS OF TOWING THREE (3) SEPARATE AUTOMOBILES, WHICH WERE INVOLVED IN THE MURDER OF SEAL. ADDITIONAL EXPENSES OF APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED] HAVE BEEN INCURRED TO RENT MOTEL ROOMS FOR THE PURPOSE OF WIRING AND DEBRIEFING [REDACTED]

NEW ORLEANS IS CURRENTLY IN CONTACT WITH LEGAT, BOGATA, RELATING TO THE TRANSPORT OF [REDACTED] TO THE UNITED STATES FOR EXTENSIVE DEBRIEFING CONCERNING THE MURDER OF SEAL. NEW ORLEANS MAY OR MAY NOT INCUR ADDITIONAL EXPENSES RELATING TO THAT WITNESS'S TRAVEL, DEPENDING UPON THE FINAL DECISION AS TO WHETHER HE WILL BE ARRESTED AS A MATERIAL WITNESS OR HANDLED AS A COOPERATING WITNESS.

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[REDACTED] ADLER B. SEAL - VICTIM; OCDE

TASK FORCE INVESTIGATION; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - MURDER.

BY TELETYPE DATED 5/14/86 LEGAT BOGOTA ADVISED:

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RE BOGOTA TELETYPE, MAY 9, 1986, AND LEGAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TELEPHONE CALL TO FBI NEW ORLEANS (SA [REDACTED])

MAY 13, 1986.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF FBIHQ, REQUEST TO HAVE REFERENCED
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FBIHQ SHOULD INSURE THAT REFERENCED TELETYPE IS SENT BY IMMEDIATE TELETYPE TO FBI NEW YORK.

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NEW YORK SHOULD ALSO BE ALERT TO THE POSSIBILITY THAT

[REDACTED]

THAT HE WAS PREVIOUSLY ASSOCIATED IN NEW YORK WITH SUBJECT "MIGUEL VELEZ," NOW IN CUSTODY IN BATON ROUGE. NEW YORK SHOULD POSSIBLE COMPARISON WITH UNSOLVED COLOMBIAN DRUG-RELATED HOMICIDES IN THE MIAMI OR NEW YORK AREA AND WHETHER HE WAS INVOLVED IN ANY OTHER CRIMINAL ACTIVITY.

FOR THE FURTHER INFORMATION OF FBIHQ, CID/NARCOTICS [REDACTED]

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NEW ORLEANS STRIKE FORCE ATTORNEY [REDACTED] HAS ADVISED
LEGAT THAT HE WILL HAVE IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE

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BY TELETYPE DATED 5/23/86 LEGAT BOGOTA ADVISED:

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Date 5/6/86

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (245D-76)
FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (245D-7) (P)

MIGUEL VELEZ, Et Al;
ADLER B. SEAL-VICTIM;
OCDE TASK FORCE INVESTIGATION;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE-MURDER
(OO: NEW ORLEANS)

The following listed and described persons are in Federal or State custody in Louisiana in connection with the 2/19/86 murder of ADLER B. SEAL.

The FBI Identification Division is requested to furnish FBI Identification reports (rap sheets) to New Orleans for the following:

1. MIGUEL VELEZ, DOB 6/7/49, Hispanic male, arrested 2/20/86 at Meridian, Mississippi.

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5 ATTENTION: SUPERVISOR () NARCOTICS SECTION b7C

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REMAINS ON HAND FROM THAT [REDACTED] ADVANCE.

CURRENTLY NEW ORLEANS OWES A TOTAL OF [REDACTED] FOR THE COSTS
 OF TOWING THREE (3) SEPARATE AUTOMOBILES, WHICH WERE INVOLVED IN
 THE MURDER OF SEAL. ADDITIONAL EXPENSES OF APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED]

NEW ORLEANS ADDITIONALLY HAS EXPENDED APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED]

IN VIEW OF THE FOREGOING, THE BUREAU IS EXPEDITIOUSLY REQUESTED
 TO WIRE TRANSFER AN ADDITIONAL [REDACTED] TO [REDACTED]
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ATTENTION: SUPERVISOR [REDACTED] NARCOTICS SECTION

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MIGUEL VELEZ, ET AL, ADLER B. SEAL - VICTIM; OCDE TASK FORCE
INVESTIGATION; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; OO: NEW ORLEANS.

RE NEW ORLEANS TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU DATED FEBRUARY 25, 1986,
BUREAU AIRTEL TO NEW ORLEANS DATED FEBRUARY 27, 1986, NEW ORLEANS
TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU DATED MAY 12, 1986, AND NEW ORLEANS TELEPHONE
CALL WITH SUPERVISOR [REDACTED] OF MAY 23, 1986.

REFERENCED AIRTEL CONFIRMED THAT [REDACTED] HAD BEEN WIFE TRANS-
FERRED TO THE NEW ORLEANS TO PAY EXPENSES INVOLVED IN THIS INVESTI-
GATION.

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FOR INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, A TOTAL OF [REDACTED] WAS
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REMAINS ON HAND FROM THAT [REDACTED] ADVANCE.

CURRENTLY NEW ORLEANS OWES A TOTAL OF [REDACTED] FOR THE COSTS
OF TOWING THREE (3) SEPARATE AUTOMOBILES, WHICH WERE INVOLVED IN
THE MURDER OF SEAL. ADDITIONAL EXPENSES OF APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED]

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NEW ORLEANS ADDITIONALLY HAS EXPENDED APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

IN VIEW OF THE FOREGOING, THE BUREAU IS EXPEDITIOUSLY REQUESTED
TO WIRE TRANSFER AN ADDITIONAL [REDACTED] TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA, ATTENTION [REDACTED]

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[redacted] was interviewed [redacted]

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[redacted] Baton Rouge, Louisiana, conducted on March

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13, 1986.

[redacted] picked the individual shown in position one of a line-up as being one of the individuals [redacted] as being responsible for the murder of ADLER B. SEAL at the Salvation Army facility, Airline Highway, Baton Rouge, on February 19, 1986.

[redacted] picked the individual because that individual was "built" the same way, was the "same height," had the "same complexion," had the same "facial features," and had a "smooth face." [redacted] was "pretty sure" and "in my mind I believe it was him" relating to the driver of the vehicle in which the two individuals were riding when ADLER B. SEAL was killed.

The individual in position one in the line-up is MIGUEL VELEZ.

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[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted] was interviewed at [redacted]
[redacted] by Special Agent (SA) [redacted]
[redacted] and [redacted] and furnished the
following information:

[redacted]

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[redacted] a resident at [redacted]
[redacted] home telephone [redacted]
employed as [redacted]

[redacted] furnished the following information
to Special Agent (SA) [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] view six (6) separate photographs
each of which depicted six white male individuals. Those
photographs displayed photographic images of the following
persons:

MIGUEL VELEZ

[redacted] selected the individual depicted in the
number five (5) position in the photograph which shows [redacted]

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could not further elaborate as to where he may have seen that individual.

[Redacted] could not identify any of the other photographs as being persons he had seen previously.

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[redacted]
[redacted] was given to view six (6) separate photographs each of which depicted six (6) white male individuals. The photographs displayed photographis images of the following persons:

MIGUEL VELEZ

[redacted]
[redacted] selected the photograph of [redacted] as being a person "vaguely familiar." [redacted] could not state any particular reason as to why that photograph was familiar to him.

[redacted] did not pick any other photograph as depicting a person known to him.

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] furnished the
following information to Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED]
and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] view six (6) separate photographs, each of which depicted six white male individuals. Those photographs depicted photographic images of the following persons:

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MIGUEL VELEZ



[REDACTED] selected the photograph of [REDACTED] as appearing very, very familiar" as the individual who



[REDACTED] selected the individual depicted in the number three (3) position in the photograph which shows MIGUEL VELEZ, as being a person, if he had a mustache, as having a resemblance to the customer who purchased merchandise in the name of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] did not select any other photograph as being a person known to him.

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[redacted]
[redacted] New Orleans, Louisiana, a resident
[redacted]
[redacted] furnished the following information to Special Agent
(SA) [redacted]

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b7E [redacted] was given to view six (6) separate photographs,
each of which depicted six (6) white male individuals. Those
photographs depicted photographic images of the following persons:

MIGUEL VELEZ

[redacted]
[redacted] could not identify any of
the photographs as being prior customers at [redacted] Department
Store.

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[redacted]
[redacted] New Orleans, Louisiana, telephone
[redacted] home telephone [redacted] furnished the following information
to Special Agent (SA) [redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] view six (6) separate photographs,
each of which depicted six (6) white male individuals. Those
photographs depicted photographic images of the following listed
persons:

MIGUEL VELEZ

[redacted]
[redacted] could not identify any
of the photographs as being prior customers at [redacted]
[redacted]

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6 ~~COINROLL~~ ^{BW} MIGUEL VELEZ; ET AL; ADLER B. SEAL - VICTIM; ^{BW} OQDETFI;
 7 OOJ-MURDER. OO: NEW ORLEANS.

8 THE FBI IDENTIFICATION DIVISION IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH
 9 IDENTIFICATION RECORDS (RAP SHEETS) FOR THE FOLLOWING LISTED
 10 PERSONS DESCRIBED ONLY AS FOLLOWS:

11 1. MIGUEL VELEZ, WHITE MALE, BORN: JUNE 7, 1949; ARRESTED:
 12 MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI, ON FEBRUARY 20, 1986.

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THE FBI IDENTIFICATION DIVISION IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH
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PERSONS DESCRIBED ONLY AS FOLLOWS:

1. MIGUEL VELEZ, WHITE MALE, BORN: JUNE 7, 1949; APRESTED:
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REMO TEL TO DIRECTOR, MAY 23, 1986.

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BUREAU AUTHORITY GRANTED FOR NEW ORLEANS TO EXPEND AN
ADDITIONAL [REDACTED] CASE FUNDS TO DEFRAY EXPENSES AS OUTLINED IN
REFERENCED TELETYPE.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION WILL WIRE FUNDS TO
FIDELITY NATIONAL BANK, 440 RIVERSIDE MALL, BATON ROUGE,
LOUISIANA, ATTENTION [REDACTED] FOR PICKUP BY SA [REDACTED]

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